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Sir:

Enclosed herewith are the necessary papers for filing the following application for Letters Patent:

Applicant : NIKOLAUS SCHUNK ET AL.

Title : RECEIVING AND COUPLING PART FOR OPTO-ELECTRONIC  
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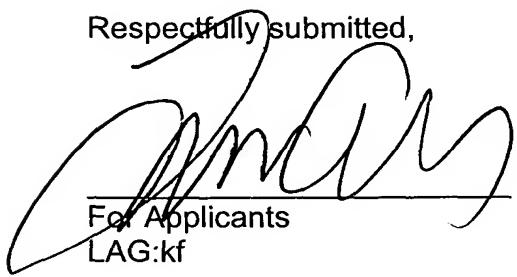
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